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Application of: Takashi TAKAHASHI

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH
SATURABLE ABSORBING LAYER

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 2-5 by rewriting same to read as follows, and add new claims 19-22 as set forth below:

01/16/2003 AFORD1 00000009408437 semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said saturable

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absorbing layer comprises N as a group-V element.

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